

TEMPERATURE FALLS OVER OHIO VALLEY

Fair and Continued Cool Weather Tonight and Wednesday in This Section.

HOURLY READINGS.			
SEPTEMBER 17.			
3 a.m.	70	9 a.m.	70
6 a.m.	68	11 a.m.	74
9 a.m.	67	12 noon.	77
3 p.m.	67	5 p.m.	80
8 p.m.	67	10 p.m.	82

Weather at 2 p.m., cloudy; humidity, 1 p.m., 54.

Local Forecast.

Fair and cooler tonight; Wednesday, fair and continued cool.

River Forecast.

The river will continue to have a slow falling tendency tonight and Wednesday.

Local Data.

Temperature for twenty-four hours: Highest yesterday, 80; lowest last night, 67; mean, 73.

Corresponding date last year: Highest, 73; lowest, 61; mean, 70.

Normal for this date, 71.

Accumulated excess in mean temperature since Jan. 1, 123 degrees.

Relative humidity (per cent.): 7 p.m., 40; 7 a.m., 40.

Precipitation for twenty-four hours ending 7 a.m. today, .17 in.

Total precipitation since Jan. 1, 32.56 inches.

Accumulated deficiency is 5.73 inches.

Highest wind velocity for twenty-four hours ending 7 a.m. today, eighteen miles, south.

River stage at 7 a.m. (feet), 7.6.

Fall in twenty-four hours (feet), 0.1.

Weather Conditions.

The disturbance central at Cairo yesterday morning has advanced rapidly northeastward to the lower St. Lawrence valley. Its passage has been attended by general rains; heavy amount fell over southern Illinois. The western high pressure advanced southeastward with diminished pressure but increasing in magnitude, the crest extending from northern Texas northeastward into the lower lake region, causing a decided fall in temperature over the Ohio and central Mississippi valley. Frost occurred at St. Paul. At 7 a.m. the temperature at Williston, N. D., was 6 degrees below freezing.

Conditions are favorable for fair and cooler over this section tonight; Wednesday, fair and continued cool.

Weather for Four States.

Washington, Sept. 17.—Forecast: Tennessee—Fair tonight, cooler central and east portions Wednesday; fair, slightly warmer.

Kentucky—Fair tonight, cooler central and east portions; Wednesday, fair, slightly warmer.

Georgia—Probably showers tonight and Wednesday, except fair south portion tonight; cooler tonight north and central portions; Wednesday, fair, slightly warmer.

Alabama—Fair in north, probably showers in south portion tonight, cooler; Wednesday, fair, cooler south portion.

OBITUARY

(Prepared obituary notices, resolutions of respect, cards of thanks, in memoriam, poetry and communications not accepted as news will be inserted in this column for 1 cent per word. Minimum, 10.)

Mrs. William Lightfoot.

Mrs. William Lightfoot died at her home east of Mission ridge, near East Chattanooga, at 8 a.m. Tuesday aged 64 years and 9 months. Mrs. Lightfoot was the wife of Squire Lightfoot, former member of the Hamilton county court, and was born and reared in Hamilton county. She is survived by her husband and seven children: Mrs. Lightfoot, John Lightfoot, Mrs. Fred Storch, Mrs. A. K. Smith, Misses Viola and Laura Lightfoot, all of this county, and one son, Hannibal Lightfoot, of Altoona, Pa., besides two sisters, Mrs. P. O. Neal and Mrs. George Walker. All were at her bedside when she died. Funeral services will be held at the Chickamauga Baptist church at 2:30 Wednesday. Rev. E. J. Baldwin officiating. Burial will be at Tyner.

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prisoners. The Bolshevik red guards, he added, have stopped fighting but for these prisoners who were ordered when it became known that the situation in Siberia. Berlin also fears untoward happenings in the Ukraine. The unbounded enthusiasm throughout Siberia over the liberation from Bolshevik rule through the action of the Czech-Slovak, East of the Ural mountains, volunteers flocking to the Siberian railway to join the new Siberian army. Twenty thousand men already have been ordered mobilized and are making a splendid response.

FOUND ISLAND IN ARCTIC ABOUT SIZE OF IRELAND

Vilhjalmur Stefansson at Vancouver—Awaits His Boat Polar Bear From North.

Vancouver, B. C., Sept. 17.—One of the islands which Vilhjalmur Stefansson found in the Arctic region is about the size of Ireland, the explorer said today.

Stefansson's expedition was raised June 19, 1915, on this land, which is in what was formerly called the Gustav Adolf sea.

Stefansson arrived last night from the north and today continued his journey to Victoria, where he will make a report to the Canadian government of his experiences in the Arctic for a period of five and a half years.

Stefansson, Stefansson's lieutenant, and four men now are carrying out their chief's plans in the far north. The five recently landed on the Pacific north of Alaska with the intention of drifting westward. Lorré Knight, Martil Killan and G. G. Gumer, three Seattle men, and Gustav Masik, a Russian interpreter, are with Stefansson.

Chunk of Ice for Boat.

"I think Stefansson's trip is the most sensational thing ever attempted in the Arctic," Stefansson said. "Whereas the explorers drift in boats which really are floating hotels, Stefansson is using a chunk of ice for his boat."

Stefansson expects to return here and wait the arrival of his steamer Polar Bear from an Alaskan port. The Polar Bear, carrying the reports and records of the party, recently came from the Arctic and is on its way here.

MUST MAINTAIN STAND AS TO ALSACE-LORRAINE

Amsterdam, Sept. 17.—Piet J. Troelstra, the Dutch socialist leader, who recently was refused admission to England on the ground that he had German sympathies, announced that he conferred Friday with Friedrich Ebert, chairman of the assembly of the German reichstag, and that Ebert replied as follows to various questions:

"If the deliberations of the Prussian assembly, as I assume, will fail to lead to equal suffrage, and if the government should not dissolve the diet, we should adopt an attitude of sharpest opposition to the government."

"Regarding the Brest-Litovsk treaty, I refer you to Herr Scheidemann's declaration in the Reichstag, in which he said with you at the Hague. There certainly is no question of unconditional adherence to our Stockholm memorandum."

Rejoins to Explain.

"I have stated that we are ready at an international conference to place ourselves on the basis of the neutral memorandum of the Dutch Scandinavian committee of Stockholm. That is to say, we make this memorandum our own except as regards the question of Belgium and Alsace-Lorraine. Regarding Belgium, we differ only from the neutral memorandum on the question of the restoration of this, however, is a question upon which an attempt must be made to reach a compromise by verbal decision. We must maintain our standpoint regarding Alsace-Lorraine. We are ready to explain our standpoint when the point is debated."

M. Troelstra, who is chairman of the socialist party in the Netherlands, said the replies of Ebert form a broad basis for socialist peace negotiations.

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NAMES OF EIGHTY-THREE PRISONERS IN GERMAN FEW SOUTHERNERS IN PUBLISHED LIST.

War Department Issues List of Members of Expeditionary Force Confined in Prisons.

Washington, Sept. 17.—An additional list numbering eighty-three, of members of the American expeditionary forces who are prisoners of war at various prison camps in Germany, was made public by the war department today. Among them are:

At Rastatt.

Sergeant Earl Cranch, York, Pa.

Thomas F. Doulin, Newburgh, N. Y.

Cassimir Niriya, Johnstown, Pa.

Leslie M. Hale, Ellettsville, Ala.

Wm. J. Otto, Milwaukee, Wis.

Leo J. Bullock, Chicago, Ill.

Edward L. Kuehn, Rochester, Pa.

Edith Dietrich, Rye, N. Y.

Harvey G. Bancroft, Theresa, N. Y.

Home M. Kallaher, 1807 Avenue One, Birmingham, Ala.

Camp Unknown.

Private—

Felix Bainbridge, Marlow, Okla.

Frank Laydin, Berlin, Pa.

Richard J. Keenan, Jeannette, Pa.

Edw. C. Jackson, New Brighton, Pa.

Grover C. Johnston, Westtown, Pa.

 James W. Boller, Homestead, Pa. || Alfred R. Ames, Beaver Falls, Pa. | Walter R. Brink, Williamsport, Pa. |
Edwin Levin, Utica, Mich.	Nelson Boyer, Troy, N. Y.
George S. Hargrove, Mount Vernon, Ind.	Harry S. Millhouse, Berlin, Pa.
Robert C. Mosholder, Meyersdale, Pa.	Leo Charles Roland, Elkader, Ia.
Arnold Roberts, Greensburg, Pa.	Wm. F. Bohn, Scranton, Pa.
Pietro Bernadine, Italy.	Robert R. Wetzel, Allentown, Pa.
Edward J. Hargrove, Mount Vernon, Ind.	Bernard Frohn, Highland, Ill.
Luther A. Reid, Morrilton, Ark.	Jacob Greenberg, Chicago.
Harry C. Goedelmann, Redburn, Ill.	Robert D. McKinnis, New Brighton, Pa.
Orval B. Holland, Weaver, Pa.	Wm. A. Powers, Waneta, Okla.
Andrew G. Petrusky, Patton, Pa.	Gerald B. Mason, 37 South Holt St., Montgomery, Ala.
James Allen, Grand Saline, Tex.	Martin J. Adams, Somerset, Pa.
At Karlsruhe.	
Clifford A. McElvain, Albany, Mo.	Alexander M. Roberts, Gilport, Miss.
At Camp Strakowski.	
Corpl. Lloyd Gardner, Somerset, Pa.	Private—
Samuel F. Beaver, Republic, Pa.	Joseph P. Erber, Gibson, Minn.
Shoert H. Stevens, Erie, Pa.	Robert L. Deeds, McClung, Ill.
Ralph Campbell, Arcola, Ill.	Archie Cook, Schofield, Wis.
Nick Komestakes, Wheeling, W. Va.	Glenn D. Byrnes, Ill.
At Landau.	
Lieut. Durward McDonald, Burt, Ia.	

PEACE OFFENSIVE HAS COLLAPSED

Central Powers Must Accept Suggestions of President if Peace Is Sought.

(By John Edwin Nevins.)

Washington, Sept. 17.—(N. S.)—The peace offensive of the central powers has completely collapsed. It can be renewed only by their accepting the suggestions for ending the war promulgated by the United States. No attention will be paid to any maneuvers in the future unless they are in accordance with the suggestions of the United States.

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the Teutonic allies comply with the conditions that are known to the entire world.

That was the position of American officials today. President Wilson's action in setting aside all binding red tape and squarely warning Austria that a subject on which the last word must be said will be the recovery of quibbling has cleared up what might have proven an ugly situation.

The slightest evidence of temporizing would have been seized upon by the American people and the president that there was a weakening in the war aims of the allies. But there can be no misunderstanding of the language of rejection of the Austrian ambiguous offer. The United States will entertain no proposal for a conference on a matter concerning which it has made its position so plain," declared the president. That slight evidence of those the book. Now, until the central powers are willing to meet the terms of the United States and the allies, the war will continue.

Nothing has transpired to date in the war has had such a strengthening effect on the morale of the nation, officials said today, as the prompt action of President Wilson. Fewer than a dozen men in the world are known to have been so constrained to give at least a few days' consideration to the Austrian offer. However, he did nothing of the kind.

With the official copy of the proposal at his disposal, the president yesterday carefully read it through several times. Then he dictated the reply and sent it to the secretary of State Lansing to be made ready for presentation to the Swedish minister for transmission to Vienna via Stockholm as soon as it had been decided that the official sentence of the document did not differ from the unofficial.

No opportunity was given to any enemy of the United States to mistake the country's position. The language was clear. There were no loopholes for continuing the exchange. Until Austria and her allies are ready to accept the position of the United States, already stated by the president, the world there can be no further official exchanges.

Incidentally, by acting immediately, President Wilson nipped in the bud an effort on the part of the pacifist element in this country, England, France or other entente nations to rally to the cry of peace by negotiation. There were some who believed that in answering the note he should again set forth the peace aims of the United States and dissect the ambiguous language used by the central powers to show that its protestations were actuated entirely by hypocrisy. This suggestion was given brief consideration, but it was seen that by doing this the United States might seem to be giving consideration to a proposal that, after all, was insulting its intelligence. So the president himself, with the complete approval of Secretary of State Lansing, decided to reject the appeal and end for all time suggestions of a peace by negotiation, no matter whence it came.

It is now expected that Germany will see the wisdom of accepting the United States position. That has been its attitude in the past when feelers were put forth and failed. However, such action hardly can improve internal conditions in Germany, in the opinion of officials here.

RAILWAY CLAIM AGENTS MEET AT SIGNAL MT.

Members of the Southern Railway and the Chesapeake and Potomac Electric power company met Tuesday morning at Signal Mountain Inn. Officials of railway claim departments from over the south are in attendance. The session will be continued through Wednesday.

KAISER IS CAPTURED AND SAFELY LOCKED IN CAGE

Hudson, O.—(N. S.)—The Kaiser is captured and is safely locked in a cage. He is being held by the American army here after he had been committing typical German tactics.

The Kaiser is a chicken hawk which has been raising chicken yards in this vicinity. He is now on exhibition in the Cleveland zoo and is now on exhibition in that city.

KULTUR

(From the Berlin Vorwaerts.)

During a long wait outside a Berlin food store the ration book of the mother of a large family was stolen. She hurried to the police station, but there the inspector only abused her. The bread commissioner, on whom she called next, declined to furnish her with another card.

The desperate woman ran backward and forward all the afternoon between the bread commissioner office, the food department, and the police station, where she was eventually ordered to "pack herself off" and to "boil some grass and eat it."

The result is that she and the two youngest of her children are now in the town infirmary suffering from starvation.

SEVENTY BARRELS PETROLEUM PER CAPITA IN UNITED STATES

Only This Supply of Unmined Product Said to Be Available at Present.

Washington, Sept. 17.—The unmined supply of petroleum now available in the United States is only about seventy barrels for each person, but this is being rapidly depleted. The petroleum which is being mined is being used for the production of war materials, and the supply of petroleum for civilian use is being depleted.

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